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The Lord's Day – December 17, 2017

8:45 a.m. – Coffee & fellowship time in small gym

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School & Small Group Studies - classes for all ages

### MORNING WORSHIP 10:45 a.m.

CHOIR CANTATA: "THE JOURNEY TO THE KING"

Welcome & Prayer:	Pastor Grotzke
Introduction:	Steve Ogren
Scripture: Luke 1:26-38	Steve Ogren & Heather Hagen
Scripture: Luke 1:46-50	Dave Schack & Heather Hagen
Joy to Praise:	"Breath of Heaven"
Scripture: Isaiah 7:14	Steve Ogren
Scripture: Isaiah 9:6	Dave Schack
Choir:	"Child of Bethlehem"
Scripture: John 1:14	Steve Ogren
Ladies Trio:	"One Small Child"
Scripture: Luke 2:25	Dave Schack
Choir Men w/Zack Thorson:	"O Come, O Come, Immanuel"
Scripture: Isaiah 53:4-5	Steve Ogren
Choir:	"A Cradle in the Shadow of a Cross"
Scripture: Matthew 28:2,5,6a	Dave Schack
Children's Choir:	"What Can I Give Him"
Scripture: Mark 16:15	Steve Ogren
Choir:	"Go Into All the World"
Scripture: I Thessalonians 4:16-17	Dave Schack
Choir w/Natalie Thorson:	"O Be Glad"
Scripture: Titus 2:13	Dave Schack
Choir, Children's Choir, Joy to Praise:	"Soon and Very Soon"
Congregational Hymn: "Joy to the	World" #194
Offering - Missionary barrel	
Offertory:	Heather Larson & Judy Witta
Closing Prayer:	Dave Simmons

#### THIS EVENING:

4:45 p.m. - Choir practice

6:00 p.m. - Sunday School Christmas program

### THIS WEEK:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. – All-church caroling; please meet in the fireside room.

Thursday - Senior Lunch: Program at 11:30 a.m.; Christmas Carol Sing; lunch served at 12:30 p.m.

## **LRCS NEWS:**

Monday, December 18 – Basketball (H) vs St. Francis Christian School at 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 19 – Middle School & High School Christmas program at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 21 – Alumni basketball games: girls at 5:00 p.m. and guys at 6:00 p.m.

December 20–January 1 – Christmas Break; school resumes Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **NEXT SUNDAY:**

10:00 a.m. – Christmas Eve service; there will be no Sunday School; no evening service; no midweek ministries on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

## **LOOKING AHEAD:**

December 31 – Normal schedule times in the morning; no evening service on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

January 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – LRCS Foundation fund-raiser concert at Heritage Church

January 12-13 – Deacons annual meeting in fireside room

### **NEWS, NOTES, REMINDERS, ETC.:**

- -Today there are baskets on a table in the hallway back of the auditorium for your Christmas cards and/or gifts for our pastoral staff.
- -There are several families at First Baptist who would like to share their home and hospitality with anyone who will be alone on Christmas Day. If you don't have plans to be with family or friends, please see Pastor Wayne or Pastor Grotzke.
- -Please turn in your 2018 directory information sheets to Betty Wolhart as soon as possible. There are more at the Welcome Center if you need one. You don't need to be a member to have your information listed. We warmly welcome it. Thank you to those who have already responded.
- -Mike & LaVerle Courts have discontinued their land line. Please make that change in your directory.
- -The large print "Daily Bread" devotional books for January, February, March are on the literature table near the Welcome Center. Please help yourselves.

#### FINANCIAL NOTE:

The last date for your financial contributions to be recorded for 2017 is December 31<sup>st</sup>.

## SCRIP CARDS MAKE GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFTS:

New cards: Pet Smart, \$25; T.J. Max, \$25; Einstein Bagels, \$10 <u>Limited time only</u>: Amazon, \$10; Applebee's, \$10; Starbucks, \$5; Olive Garden, \$10; Walmart, \$10; Target, \$10. See Dennis or Joy Ogren to purchase cards.

# **HELP NEEDED:**

We need someone to volunteer to clean the nursery once a week. If you have any questions as to what is involved, see Christina McMahan or Keith Anderson.

### **DECEMBER GREETERS:**

East: Scott & Bobbie Blake Middle: Dave & Penny Bottorff West: Linda Wolvert & Sheila Eberline Far West: Shelly Whited

## **CHURCH FAMILY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

Happy birthday to Abe Imdieke today; Mike Courts on the 19<sup>th</sup>; Katie Gunderson on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

# NURSERY SCHEDULE - for children up to age 3:

Sunday, December 17 – a.m. Scott and Bobbi Blake, Jon and Alyssa Blake p.m. John and Heather Hagen Wednesday, December 20 – Julie & Jennifer Kovacik

<u>Sunday, December 24</u> – a.m. Scott & Debbie Kirkvold, Valerie Imdieke, Sydni Ogren

# **Last Week's Offerings & Statistics:**

Offerings:

General \$40,189.20 Budget amount needed weekly: \$8,486.77 Luke Snell 50.00 Budget giving YTD: \$156,975.68 Seth Grotzke 20.00 Budget needs YTD: \$127,301.55 Marnie Krause

Brandon Fischer 600.00 AWANA 50.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest 50.00

Attendance: Morning service – 257 Children's Church – 56 Nursery – 8

Evening service -152 Nursery -3

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